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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JUNE 17TH, 1905.

The Hongkong Society for the Abolition of Judicial Torture in China, of which the learned Italian Consul, Chevalier VOLPICELLI, is the founder and a most enthusiastic member, is entertaining a lively hope that its labours are about to bear further fruit. There are indications that Chinese public opinion is being influenced successfully; and that the EMPRESS-DOWAGER, if she has not already seen it, is likely to have her attention drawn to the literature on the subject that is being disseminated. Prince CHING has accepted a number of copies of Chevalier VOLPICELLI's pamphlet; and other copies have been distributed amongst the members of the Wai-wu-pu, the Presidents of the various Boards, and other influential persons at Peking. All this, while it is now receiving the hearty support and co-operation of the diplomatic corps at Peking, was started without any invitation of their aid, the promoters probably realising that "what is everybody's business is nobody's," and that if the initiative were left to the Ministers, the work might be indefinitely delayed, while those individuals were endeavouring to arrive at a collective decision. It has been suggested in a high quarter, where, as in our case, the distinction drawn by the local Society between torture like *ling-chih* and the judicial extortion of evidence has been evidently overlooked, that the recent Imperial Edicts instituting reforms in the Chinese penal code were the results of the Chinese desire to forestall the good advice they had heard of as coming. There is not sufficient ground for such a suggestion, the probability being that His Excellency WU TING-FANG moved in the matter without knowing of the half-loaf application about

to be made. It was, as we said, a coincidence. We must explain, perhaps, that by the "half-loaf" phrase we mean nothing derogatory of the Hongkong Society's movement. It agreed, we believe, to confine its efforts to securing the abolition of the Chinese method of extorting confessions and other evidence by torture, in the belief that this was an immediately practicable proposition involving only an appeal to the common-sense of the Chinese; and that it might be secured without waiting for a wholesale recognition by the Chinese mind of the principles of humanity. WU TING-FANG, being a reformer of whole-hearted ideas and convictions, attacked the broad question of principle, without recking of expediency. The wording of the Edict abolishing *ling-chih* and reducing the severity of Chinese punishments clearly shows that its motif was of the nature of gentling the Chinese temper and of abating its vindictiveness. The wording just as clearly showed, in its care-free mentions of "summary" decapitation, and the like, that the dictator or drafter had not experienced the humane and pitiful sentiments of those who presumably inspired its origin. Nor do we believe that an Oriental nature can be refined, its disposition softened, by argument; and although the Edict was a sign of success, it was as evident by the instant chorus of official disapproval that it had failed to touch the springs of that quality which "droppeth as the gentle dew from heaven." The members of the local society, including Chevalier VOLPICELLI, know the Chinese intimately. They share the sentiments of WU TING-FANG; but they do not share his optimism. They expect to achieve something by appealing to Chinese reason; they leave to others the tedious task of discovering the well of tender sentiment which only indulgent and hopeful observers like Mr. CECIL CLEMENTS have so far professed to find. Hence, they have preferred half a loaf to no bread, or rather, after the recent Edict, we had better say, half a loaf to a crumb. They have not got even the half-loaf yet, but, as we have said, the prospects are good. The Society has gone the right way to work. NIETSCHE remarks somewhere that the thoughts that govern the world advance with dove-like steps, and the thoughts of Chevalier VOLPICELLI and his friends, destined to govern China in this connection, are tripping softly down the hieroglyphic stairs of all the influential vernacular journals. Latin thoughts in Latin letters, translated into radicals, are sowing the seed of a radical reform. Soon, it is hoped, China will no longer use judicial tortures, for (as the old Scotch warrants in similar circumstances used to express it) "the better boulding forth of the truth." They will realise, as the case is properly presented to them, how untrustworthy is all testimony offered in the delirium of physical pain; and that one "old custom" at least is as foolish as it is cruel.

Yesterday's three plague cases (two fatal) make the total 161.

The Craigengower C.C. proposes to hold a tennis tournament in the middle of next month.

Captain A. P. Douglas, Royal Artillery, has been appointed Senior Ordnance Officer in North China.

Mr. J. R. Powell Grant, hon. secretary of the Canton Rowing Club, leaves for Hong by the Siberia on the 6th prox.

Messrs. Dang Chee Son & Co. write to inform us that the statement that the late Mr. Paul Breitwit was at any time connected with their firm was erroneous.

Ten more rich coolies were charged before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday with obstructing the road in Ship Street. They were each fined \$3.

If the proposed exchange of prisoners takes place, how many Russians will have to be "swopped" for one Japanese? It will be worse than nine tailors to one man.

For not displaying the regulation lights while lying alongside a wharf in the harbour, the master of the steam launch *Berana* was yesterday fined \$15 by Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court.

A petition two and a half miles long, bearing 180,000 signatures, and weighing 1 cwt., was presented at the House of Commons recently in favour of the Dogs' Protection Bill. The petitioners may be said to have gone to great lengths, comments the *Globe*.

The programme of music to be performed by the band of the 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment on the New Parade Ground on Monday, from 5 to 6.30 p.m., is as follows:—

Overture: "Crown Diamonds" ..... Aubrey  
Selection: "Reminiscences of Mozart" ..... F. Godfrey  
Valse: "An Der Schönen Blonden Dama" ..... Strauss  
Grand March: "Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar  
Intermezzo: "Anona" ..... Grey  
Descriptive: "The Turkish Patrol" ..... Michaelis  
Selection from: "The Gondoliers" ..... Sullivan

Mr. Maurice E. Bandmann writes from Bombay, that the combined that existed between Mr. Henry Dallas and himself is at an end. He has cancelled it. "From now on (May 23) this gentleman has no right to connect my name with his in any shape or form, nor has he any right to play any of Mr. George Edwards' or the *Gaiety* pieces."

There have been many parish meetings this Easter, but it is certain, says the *Manchester Guardian*, that there has been none smaller than the one which took place at Barenthorpe, a small parish near Brigg, in North Lincolnshire. The official minutes of the gathering is as follows: "At a meeting of the only rate-payer of the parish, Mr. John Boushah in the chair, such was appointed overseer of the poor."

Misunderstandings constantly occur from the standing orders given to sentinels at the Russian Imperial Palace to fire on anything which looks suspicious, a la *Rejstrensky*. An orphanage for children of the nobility faces the Palace at Gatschina, and a sentinel, seeing something sitting on a wall, of course fired as a measure of precaution—and brought down an orphan (since doing well). There is a feeling, says the *Globe*, that if the system is too thoroughly carried out these orphanages may become inconveniently crowded.

By kind permission of Colonel W. G. B. Western, C.B., and Officers, the Band of the Second Battalion "The Queen's Own" (Royal West Kent Regiment), will play the following programme of music during dinner, at the Hongkong Hotel, to-day Saturday Programme:—  
March: "Sons of the Brave" ..... Bigg  
Overture: "Le Lac des Fées" ..... Aubrey  
Selection from: "Reminiscences of Mozart" ..... F. Godfrey  
Valse: "An Der Schönen Blonden Dama" ..... Strauss  
Grand March: "Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar  
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## TURBULENT CHINESE.

MUST NOT FIGHT UNDER BRITISH FLAG.  
All the available space in the large Police Court was occupied by Chinese yesterday during the hearing of the case against the five supposed Triads who were charged with creating a disturbance in Ke Shing Street, West Point, under circumstances previously recorded. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Hazen asked the defendants what they had to say in answer to the charge. The first defendant admitted being in possession of the chopper, but said he took it from another man. The second said he took part in the fight, and was in possession of the fighting iron. The other three defendants were passing when the fight occurred, and were arrested by mistake.

His Worship said there was no doubt that the first defendant went out to fight, but there appeared to be a doubt as to whether he took the chopper with him and he would, therefore, give him the benefit of it. He would be fined \$25 with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks. The second defendant went to the fray armed with a fighting iron, which is a very formidable and dangerous weapon. He would be fined \$100 or two months' hard labour and six hours' stocks. The third, fourth and fifth defendants were bound over in the sum of \$100, personal bond, to keep the peace for twelve months.

His Worship then gave a few words of advice to the people in the rear of the Court. He did not know whether they had had anything to do with the fight, but he was determined to put a stop to such fighting, and if any of them were brought before him they would be very severely dealt with.

## STOLEN COAL.

The steam launch *Nancy* was alongside a pier at Yau-mai on Thursday night for the purpose of coaling. She gave an order for 12 tons, which was being transferred to her hold when a detective walked on board. Immediately the crew of both vessels jumped overboard and swam ashore. Later, four of the sinder boat's crew were arrested, and were yesterday charged at the Police Court before Mr. G. N. Orme with being in unlawful possession of the coal. Defendants informed His Worship that they obtained it by dredging in the harbour, but His Worship did not believe this, and fined two of the defendants \$30 each. The other two were discharged.

## THE REGIMENTAL BROOM.

TO KEEP THE PEACE—OR THE PIECE.  
An energetic member of the Hongkong Constabulary placed a coolie before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday on a charge of larceny of a broom from the barracks of the 110th Battalion at Kowloon. The timeworn relic, with some six straws left, was exhibited before His Worship, who was informed that the coolie fought desperately when prevented from taking it out of barracks. His Worship adjourned the case until to-day, bail being allowed in the sum of \$5, and the coolie was further bound over to keep the peace. He apparently misunderstood the latter part of the interpretation of His Worship's decision, or perhaps it was the interpreter's little joke, for a smile lighted his face as he stretched out his hand to take the broom. He was under the impression that His Worship had given him permission to keep the piece.

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

## ROYAL MARRIAGE IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, 15th June.

Princess Margaret of Connaught was married to Prince Adolphus of Sweden at Windsor to-day.

## CRICKET.

LONDON, 15th June, 10.20 p.m.

Received 16th June.

At the test match at Lords to-day, the following English scores were made:—

Machren	56
Hayward	16
Tyldesley	43
Fry	73
Jackson	29
Jones	1
Bosmanquet	6
Rhodes	15
Extras	19

Total [for 8 wickets] 258

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## ASSASSINATION OF THE GREEK PREMIER.

LONDON, 14th June.

M. Delyannis is dead. There will be a state funeral on Friday. The murderer approached as if to greet M. Delyannis, kissed his hand, and simultaneously plunged a dagger into his stomach. Death speedily followed.

## MOROCCO.

LONDON, 14th June.

M. Rouvier is encountering unexpected difficulties in selecting a Foreign Minister and an Ambassador to Berlin. In the meanwhile Count Tattenbach is strengthening the German position, and has obtained valuable concessions, including the construction of a new port at Tangier.

## PARLIAMENT AND CANTON PIRATES.

On May 18th, Colonel Denay, M.P., gave notice of his intention to ask the Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs if his attention has been drawn to the prevalence of piracy in the Canton delta and along the coast of China; whether he has received during his journey account of organized attacks on British vessels; and what action the British Government is taking towards the suppression of these pirates.

Earl Percy replied:—The attention of His Majesty's Government has recently been called to a number of piratical attacks on vessels on the Canton River (some of them being British owned). His Majesty's Consul General at Canton has made a representation to the Viceroy on the subject, and His Majesty's Government are in communication with His Majesty's Minister at Peking regarding these attacks.

## COOLIES GRAVE THE HYPODERMIC.

Mr. G. N. Orme yesterday fined a coolie \$30 at the Police Court for administering morphine, not being a duly qualified medical practitioner. The defendant, it was stated, was doing a thriving business in the western district by giving coolies, who could not afford to indulge in the pleasures of the opium pipe, injections at two cents a time.

## THE ALLEGED SPY AT TOKYO.

M. Etienne Bonquin, who has been found guilty by the Japanese authorities of a charge of espionage, is a Frenchman of some distinction. A native of Nantes, he was educated in the Military Academy of Saint Cyr, and took part in the war against Germany in 1870-71 as a lieutenant. He was made prisoner during the war, but his gallant services on the battlefield earned him the ribbon of the Legion of Honour. A few years later he was sent to Tokyo as Attaché at the French Legation, but on the suppression of the legation returned to France, and resumed his active service in the army. He was promoted a captain, and was attached successively to the garrisons of Paris and La Flèche. In Japan he had married an American lady, who from long residence in Tokyo had become almost Japanese, and consequently did not accommodate herself easily to life in France. Ten years ago Captain Bonquin fell ill, and retired from the army. At the wish of his wife he returned to Japan, having commuted his pension and been promoted an officer of the Legion of Honour. In Tokyo M. Bonquin represented a number of important French firms, and also several leading French newspapers. He had an excellent position in Tokyo society, and had even been decorated by the Mikado.

Details of the charges against him have not been made public. All that is known is that he is accused of divulging military secrets to the Russians, in complicity with his son-in-law, an Englishman named Strange, and a cashiered Japanese named Iwasaki, both of whom were also arrested. The judicial examination into the case is being conducted with the utmost secrecy. It seems to be admitted that notes on military matters have been found among Captain Bonquin's papers, but these are alleged by his friends to be materials collected for articles contributed to French newspapers. The idea of M. Bonquin spying on behalf of the Russians is scouted in Tokyo, as he was conspicuous for his great sympathy with Japan and everything Japanese, and he did not disguise his antipathy for Russia.

## THE WAR.

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## PEACE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN AMERICA.

LONDON, 15th June.

Washington has been chosen as the venue of the conference to arrange peace between Russia and Japan.

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"PEACE, PEACE, WHERE THERE IS NO PEACE."

LONDON, 14th June.

The text of the Russian reply published in St. Petersburg has evoked general disappointment.

## THE PEACE PROSPECTS.

LONDON, 14th June.

Count Lamsdorff, replying to President Roosevelt's proposal, said that the Tsar rejoiced that the President's views were completely in accord with his own in regard to the general appeasement so essential to the welfare and progress of all mankind; and added that the Russian Government in no wise objects to the principle of a meeting of plenipotentiaries, "if Japan expresses a desire."

## THE CHINA STATION.

A letter from the Hongkong correspondent of the *N. & M. Record* is published in the latest issue to hand. He mentions that the *Waterwitch* and *Rambler* are the only two masted ships left out here, and now that physical training on an improved system is the rule throughout the navy, it is interesting to learn that the crews of these two ships have recently been much admired by their comrades of the American squadron for their fine physique and the agile manner in which they have worked aloft. Similar remarks are often heard from the community of Hongkong, which goes to show that efficiency still pertains to old customs, although they die hard.

Owing to the great difficulty experienced by the liberty men of the fleet in getting to and from their ships in consequence of the excessive fares and independence of the Chinese boatmen, the naval authorities have at last been compelled to adopt a course which, it is hoped, will prove beneficial. The commodore has been instrumental in arranging a service of steamboats to tend on the squadron's liberty men, who have supported the scheme so well by their patronage that it has now become a permanent institution, much to the disgust of "John Chinaman," who now looks on with some misanthropic ill-will, and attendant loss of fares. These steamboats convey liberty men every morning from the seaman's club, and the punctual return of men to their ships is thus ensured.

NAVAL PROTECTION ON THE YANGTSE.  
Since the withdrawal of the river gunboats from the Yangtse, considerable attention has been given to the question of policing that waterway. Latterly British merchants have complained bitterly that the shallow draft steamers *Swire* can scarcely be considered adequate security for British prestige or commercial interests in those regions. Rumour has it that the *Britannia* and *Brenn* may be seen there shortly, or what is still more probable, that the Commander-in-Chief may despatch a flotilla of destroyers after the arrival of the *Hecla* with their crews. Meanwhile, Admiral Sir George Noel, K.C.B., has despatched the cruiser *Astrak* to Hankow, and this has given intense satisfaction to British merchants on the Yangtse.

## INDO-THIBETAN TRADE.

There is a growing feeling of apprehension among Anglo-Indians, both official and unofficial, that unless constant vigilance be exercised the Lhasa Convention will be rendered nugatory by Chinese duplicity. Ostensibly, it is approved, except in one provision, by the British Government. But the exception happens to be the only clause calculated to benefit India—the establishment of open trading marts at Gympse, Garok, and Yatung. A similar arrangement formally came into effect between England and China was never given the least effect by the Lhasa Government, and it was this flagrant bad faith that directly led to the late war. Bearing in mind, then, the obstinacy with which Celestial statesmanship clings to any policy once marked out, it is most natural that misgivings should be more and more entertained in India as to Foreign Office firmness. No one feels any doubt about Lord Curzon's inflexibility, but it is rumoured that the smart question does not command much interest in Downing-street, being regarded as likely to give rise to troublesome diplomatic complications with St. Petersburg. But it can hardly be imagined that this nervous dread of wounding Russian susceptibilities, largely apocryphal, will hasten the withdrawal of the British occupying force from Chumbi, the sole guarantee for the observance of good faith at Lhasa.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—  
On the 16th at 11.15 a.m. Orders issued to hoist the Black South Cone.

The barometer has risen over E. Japan, and falls on the S. coast of China and in Luzon. The depression has probably deepened and may now be a typhoon. It appears to be lying to the Southward of Hongkong between the 14th and 20th parallels, and to be moving slowly towards W.N.W.

Bad weather is expected to prevail over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Strong N.E. to E. winds, probably a gale; squally with rain.

Telegraphic communication with Gap Rock continues interrupted.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 16th June.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. F. T. PIGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP.

Lam Tung, plaintiff; F. J. Badoley (Captain Superintendent of Police), defendant; and the Nam Loong firm, of Saigon, claimants. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Dixon (Mr. John Hastings's office), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. H. N. Forrester, instructed by Mr. J. Hays (Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master), for the claimants.

The issue to be tried was as follows:—  
"Whether either of them, the said Lam Tung and the Nam Loong firm, and if so, which is or are entitled to a sum of \$2,600 obtained by the defendant, F. J. Badoley, from the plaintiff's agent Chow Kwan, and deposited by the said F. J. Badoley in Court, and being moneys the subject matter of this action."

Mr. Pollock is opening said that the action was commenced in November last year by the plaintiff against the Captain Superintendent of Police, the plaintiff seeking to recover \$2,600 in \$100 bank notes, money found on the person of Chow Kwan whose extradition was applied for in August, 1904, on the ground that he had stolen money from the Nam Loong firm of Saigon, now also claimants of the money on the ground that it was part of the property stolen from them by the said Chow Kwan. The plaintiff, however, did not admit that any part belonged to the Nam Loong firm, but content that it belongs to the plaintiff acting as a bailee for various parties who entrusted sums with him at Saigon to be delivered to persons in Hongkong or China. The plaintiff had for some years been travelling to and fro between Hongkong and Saigon and trading with them. Prior to last year he had been entrusted by the same people heretofore mentioned to take money from Saigon to China for them. The plaintiff, in short, is a travelling trader and cook. On the particular voyage he was employed on the *ss. Kinsan* as cook for the fireman. Prior to embarking at Saigon on 20th August, 1904, he had various sums of money entrusted to him to be dealt with as follows:—\$1,500 handed by Kong Sang to be delivered to Kong Sang's mother, Tsang Shi, at Tai Po Chung; \$500 handed by Tsang Sing Cheong, of Saigon, to be taken to Saa Kin and handed to Tsang Kau; \$300 handed by Lun Tsui to be taken to Lun Tsui's mother, Man Shi; \$280 handed by Lam On to be delivered in Hongkong to a certain party in Lam Kwai Fong (d'Agulhar Street) to be forwarded to Lam On's older brother, Lam Cho; and \$20 sent by Kwong Fu of the Kwong Mai Wo shop, at Saigon, for delivery to the W. Cheong Loong firm.

The *Kinsan*, continued Mr. Pollock, left Saigon on the 23rd August, and was accompanied with the plaintiff aboard as cook as mentioned. On board the *Kinsan* the plaintiff met Chow Kwan, subsequently arrested, who was a passenger, and a man whom he had known for some years. Plaintiff allowed this man to occupy his own bunk in the store room. The *Kinsan* on the 23rd August encountered a typhoon. Deck cargo had to be jettisoned and one or two passengers were washed overboard. The bad weather continued till quite near Hongkong. The plaintiff, as might be imagined had a rough time in the gully with his pots and pans rolling on top of him, and so he asked Chow Kwan to look after the packet containing the \$2,600, telling him to tie it about his body; simply informing him that the red handkerchief, for it was such, contained the money. On arriving in Hongkong the plaintiff and Chow Kwan went ashore together. They then parted arranging to meet again a little later, Chow Kwan going to a boarding house where they had both arranged to live, and the plaintiff to a tea house. Chow Kwan was then arrested. The extradition proceedings, after lasting for three months, were discontinued, and the plaintiff thereupon brought an action against the Captain Superintendent of Police for the recovery of his dollars. The plaintiff, on first learning of the arrest of Chow Kwan, went to the Police Station where he was also arrested, photographed, and later released. He subsequently gave evidence during the extradition proceedings.

Evidence was led, and the case was adjourned.

## PRIZE-RING IN AMERICA.

One of the greatest fights between bantam weights ever witnessed in America took place between Owen Moran, of England, and Monte Attell, champion of America, within a few yards of the most fashionable thoroughfare of New York. A large company, including many men prominent in exclusive circles, assembled to witness the encounter. Moran had previously won the pugilistic aspirations of Danny Douglas, former American champion bantam-weight, and this result led to the present engagement with Attell, who had been regarded as the "absolute world-beater," but the hopes of Douglas and his many friends are shattered now, and the little Englishman did the trick. It was one of the best conducted fights ever seen in New York, and the referee's decision was supported unanimously by his company. From the start the youngsters went at it like two gamecocks in a pit. They stood up and hit punch for punch. The little Briton was cheered heartily for his cleverness and Attell for his gameness.

It was a twenty-round contest and lasted to the finish, but by the eighth round Moran had the Yankee at his mercy, landing terrific left-hand punches on the jaw which sent him reeling down the ring. In the eleventh round Attell improved wonderfully, and dealt out severe punishment. Henceforward Moran forced the fighting, and in the last two rounds the little fellow fought like a tiger, but Attell was clearly outclassed, and when the referee gave his decision for the Britisher he nodded approval. The fighters weighed exactly 117lb.—*New York paper*.







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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of JUNE, 1905, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land near the Magazine Gap, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 21 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	120 ft. by 120 ft.	0.0027	7.000	30

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Captain Tomanovich, will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WILDER & CO., Agents, Princes' Building, Hongkong, 17th June, 1905.

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having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. the 17th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 16th June, 1905.

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS and CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT is now ready and contains:—

Epitomes of the Week's News.

Leading Articles:—

Roosevelt, the Peace-maker.

Obstacles to Peace.

The Study of Tropical Diseases.

Open Doors and Spheres of Influence.

Hongkong Sanitary Board.

Hongkong Young Women's Christian Association.

British War Vessels Arrive.

Local Japanese Celebrate the Successes of Their Arms.

A Pretty Story from Macao.

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Kowloon Books.

"Mr. B. Harris, of Hongkong."

Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club.

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Hongkong, 17th June, 1905.

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE SECOND MEETING of the Season will be held at the HAPPY VALLEY, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), commencing at 4 P.M.

The charge of admission will be \$1.00 for other than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Post Entries will be accepted for Events Nos. 2 & 4.

C. G. MACKIE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th June, 1905.

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Hongkong, 30th May, 1905.

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 17th JUNE, 1905, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at their Salerooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road (Corner of Ice House Street), A VERY FINE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE CURIOS AND WORKS OF ART.

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Hongkong, 16th June, 1905.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER of the Trustee in Bankruptcy Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH have been instructed to sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, the 19th JUNE, 1905, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at their Auction Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Central, THE

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Hongkong, 11th June, 1905.

## INTIMATIONS.

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Care of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1905.

A. LING & CO., FURNITURE STORE, PLATED GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c.; and FOOCHOY LACQUERED WARE, 68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong, 21st September, 1903.

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903.

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 20th instant, at 12.30 P.M., when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at an Extraordinary Meeting of the Company, held on Saturday, 3rd of June, 1905, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

1. That it is desirable that the Company may be dissolved and that it be wound up voluntarily.
2. That the General Managers be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators.
3. That the Liquidators be and they are hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a New Company to be named the "PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED," with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have been prepared with the approval of the Consulting Committee of the Company.
4. That the Liquidators be empowered to sell to the "PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED," the price of taking of this either in cash or shares of \$200 per share of the Company, and to enter into all necessary Agreements to that effect.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Dated 5th June, 1905.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHARE CERTIFICATES No. 229/230, 370/390, 505/511, 525/536/538 and 1224 for shares Nos. 9101/9150, 9201/9245, 9251/9275, 10190/10235, 10720/10835, 2742/27805, 37039/37777 and 50401/71175, standing in the name of LI SING, having been lost.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said Certificates be produced at the Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, before the 23rd day of June, 1905, NEW CERTIFICATES for the said shares will be issued to the owner and the Old Certificates will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 1905.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 24th May, 1904.

## THE HONGKONG CANTON &amp; MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NEW SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 6626 issued 23rd December, 1901, for One Hundred and Fifty Shares numbered 37321/37370, 50651/51, 5316/5365, 55569/5615 of this Company, in the name of TONG SHOU KIANG, PANG, and that SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 6627 issued 23rd December, 1901, for One Hundred and Fifty Shares numbered 34236/34335, 715/6/71655, 58831/58910 of this Company in the name of YONG SHOU PANG, of Hankow, have been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 27th June, 1905, NEW SCRIP CERTIFICATES will be issued to the said Tong Shou Kiang and Yung Shou PANG, and the said Certificates Nos. 6626 and 6627 will be recognized by the Company.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary. Hongkong, 27th May, 1905.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST. THE CERTIFICATES of 800 and 500 SHARES standing in the name of TONG SHOU PANG and TONG SHOU KIANG respectively, have been LOST, viz:—

Scrip No. 2484—20,297/20896—800 Shares.

" " 2485—20,897/21,394—500 " 1100 Shares.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Duplicate Certificates for the said 1100 Shares will be issued one month hence, and that the Original Certificates unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 29th May, 1905.

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST. THE CERTIFICATES of 600 and 600 SHARES standing in the name of TONG SHOU PANG and TONG SHOU KIANG respectively, have been LOST, viz:—

Scrip No. 2461—8,001/81600—600 Shares.

" " 2462—5751/6052 " 21068/21355—600 " 1200 Shares.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Duplicate Certificates for the said 1200 Shares will be issued one month hence, and that the Original Certificates unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 29th May, 1905.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE. THE CERTIFICATE No. 2413 for 25 Shares in the above Company, numbered 14306 to 14330 inclusive, standing in the name of TONG SHOU PANG, also the Certificate No. 2434 for 25 Shares in the above Company numbered 14331 to 14355 inclusive, standing in the name of TONG SHOU KIANG, having been LOST, it is thought in the destruction of the steamship "Yuan Wo" by fire in the Yangtze River on 30th April, 1905.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificates for the said 50 shares will be issued at the expiration of one calendar month from the date of this Notice, and that the Original Certificates will, unless produced within that period, be held by this Company as null and void.

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & CO., General Managers. Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 28th May, 1905.

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, St. George's Buildings, N. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, 21st June, 1905, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 23rd February, 1905, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, 17th to WEDNESDAY, 21st June, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 16th June, 1905.

## CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the above named Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, St. George's Buildings, N. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, 21st June, 1905, at a quarter past seven o'clock a.m. when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened, and the event of it being confirmed the Shares will be offered to Shareholders on the Register on the Eighth day of July, in proportion to their then holdings, and all shares not applied for by Shareholders will be disposed of by the General Managers in accordance with Article 8 paragraph 2 of the Company's Articles of Association.

RESOLUTION: That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$500,000 by the creation of 20,000 new shares of \$10.00 each.

Hongkong, 16th June, 1905.

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The *Singapore Free Press* of June 5th comments:—The Singapore read-to-day news at anchor a valuable addition to the China Squadron on route to Hongkong. This comprises the whole of the River class of destroyers, six in number, recently attached to the Atlantic fleet at Gibraltar. These are the *Erz*, the *Elrick*, the *Erne*, the *Dec*, the *Ichen* and the *Arven*, the two latter having been delayed after the departure of the other four, for docking purposes. We learn that it is not long since these vessels, with all their spare parts of machinery, etc., were transferred from Malta to Gibraltar, and their despatch to China was quite unexpected. The orders for the change, which came quite as a surprise, stated that the fleet was to leave at once. Their places at Gibraltar are to be taken as soon as possible by another division of the class, the "River" type, of which there are about thirty more, and almost all new. It is the type decided on after the accident to the *Cobra*, which was of greater speed but too slight in construction to stand the violent strains of a heavy sea, without considerable risk, or worse than that, as in the *Cobra's* case. They average 7,500 hp. with a speed of 25½ knots, though some are a knot or two faster. The six new arrivals with those destroyers already on the station bring up the strength in that type to fourteen, the other eight being the *Paine*, *Whiting*, *Hendy*, *Hart*, *Janus*, *Oller*, *Virego*, and the *Taku*, captured from the Chinese.

As showing how swiftly changes may be made in the distribution of the British fleet as a result of the great Japanese naval victory we may mention that a telegram was received yesterday morning by the Senior Naval Officer, notifying that the battleships *Canopus* and *Gothic*, now due at Colombo, would not come on to China as ordered, but would at once return to England. These ships were, of course, dispatched to the Far East in order to strengthen the China Squadron in case of any emergency arising out of the presence of the British fleet in Eastern waters. As that fleet is now for the most part, under Eastern waters an emergency cannot arise, and the despatch of the two battleships is now countermanded. It should be added that the sending out of the *Gothic* and *Canopus* did not deduct anything from the standing strength of the Home, Channel, or Atlantic fleets, as these ships were in commission in reserve at Portsmouth as "emergency ships." The whole incident is a good example of the strategic mobility of a fleet, and of the way in which, in a moment, on political grounds, its distribution may be altered.

## GENERAL ORDERS

BY MAJOR GENERAL VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.,  
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HEAD QUARTERS,  
HONGKONG, 16th June, 1905.

Army (Annual) Act, 1905.—No. 98. The Army (Annual) Act, 1905, was received in the Command yesterday.

Publications.—No. 97. The undermentioned Official Publications were received in the Command yesterday: Army List, May, 1905; Army orders, May, 1905; List of changes in War Material, May, 1905.

Detail.—No. 98. Detail of officers for the ensuing week. Victoria: (a) Prison Visitor, Major L. J. Dopping, Hesperian, Royal Engineers; (b) Field Officer, Royal Engineers, Captain C. C. Fitzwilliams, Army Service Corps. Next for duty: Captain M. L. McDowell, Royal Garrison Artillery; (c) Subaltern Officer of the week, An Officer, Royal Garrison Artillery. Next for duty: An Officer, 2nd Royal West Kent Regt. Kowloon: (a) Field Officer of the week, Captain O. L. Price, Royal Garrison Artillery. Next for duty: Major A. E. Hatch, 138th Battalion; (b) Subaltern Officer of the week, An Officer, Army Service Corps. Next for duty: An Officer, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Divine Service.—No. 99. Divine Service will be conducted on Sunday as follows:—

Denomination	Troops at	Where held	Hour	To Officiate
Ch. of England	Victoria	Cathedral	8.30 a.m.	Chaplain.
Ch. of England	Lymington	The Barracks	11.30 a.m.	Chaplain.
Ch. of England	Stone	The Barracks	Under Orders	Sar. Officer.
Ch. of England	St. Helena	The Barracks	4 p.m.	Chaplain.
Presby.	Victoria	Union Ch.	11 a.m.	Off. Clerg.
Wesleyan	Lymington	The Barracks	10.15 a.m.	Off. Clerg.
Roman Catholic	Victoria	St. Joseph's Ch.	9 a.m.	Off. Clerg.
Catholic	Kowloon	Kowloon	7.30 a.m.	Off. Clerg.

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Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report dated Hongkong, 16th June, 1905. The market has shown no signs of improvement during the week and rates with a very few exceptions are quoted lower.

**BANKS.**—Hongkong and Shanghai have been placed in fair lots at \$890 and \$862½, closing steady at the latter rate. Nationals remain unchanged and without business.

**MARINE INSURANCES.**—Unions have been placed in small lots at \$695, and Canton \$320 and \$322½ closing with buyers. Yangtze have improved to \$122 while Chinas remain unchanged and without business. China Traders have found buyers at \$85 and a fair business has been transacted.

**FIRE INSURANCES.**—Hongkong have been placed at \$302½ and Chinas at \$87 in unimportant lots.

**SHIPPING.**—Hongkong, Canton and Macao and Douglas have aged hands at quotations, the latter close with sellers. Ladon have declined to \$102 with a few sales between that and the closing rate of (105) of last week; for ward rates are reported at \$109 for Dec, the market closing very quiet. Star Ferries have been on offer at quotations and small sales have resulted.

**REFINERIES.**—China Sugars. Sales have been effected at \$215 for the Settlement, and reported ones at \$218, but the market closes quiet at \$215 each. Lasons are obtainable at \$32, with no business to report.

**MINING.**—Roads have been in small demand, and small sales have been effected at \$4 and \$4½.

**DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.**—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks continue weak with sellers ruling the market at \$197. No good news has been received from the daily field of operations. Kowloon Wharves have experienced a decline on account of the purchase of a piece of land, adjoining the Company's Kowloon property, by a local firm, for the purpose of erecting wharves and godowns. Sales have been effected for December at \$194, and the market closes quiet with probable sellers at \$190. New Army Docks have further declined to \$18 without sales. Furnham, on the intimation of a return of \$15.20 per share from capital account, have ruled firm with sales at \$159, \$160, \$161 and \$162, closing firm at \$163. Hookway Wharves have gone back to \$187½.

**LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.**—Hongkong Lands have slightly improved on account of the sale by the Reclamation Co. of a piece of land in Kowloon, in which the Hongkong Land Co. is interested. Sales have been made at \$122 and the market closes fairly steady at that rate. Hotels have declined to \$144 without sales. We have nothing else to report under this heading.

**COTTON MILLS.**—No change or business to report with the exception of an advance of 1/8 in Eyas, which are now quoted at \$14.38.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—China Borneo have been placed at \$21. Green Islands (old) at \$26½. Electric (old) at \$17½ and China light and Powers at the advanced rate of \$10. Tramways could be placed at \$212, but none seem available.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, Hongkong.—18th June, 1905. Trinity Sunday. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.) Matins (10 a.m.) Ordination Service (11 a.m.)—Processional Hymn, 359; Litany; Antiphon, "In humble faith and holy love." Gospel, Holy Communion (12 noon) Kyrie, Hymns in E (71), Hymn, 505. Evening (6.45 p.m.) Hesperian, Hymn, 505. Tallies, Paulus, Stainer and Troutbeck; Magnificat, Smart; Nunc Dimittis, Monk (17th E.); Hymns, 22, 163 and 169; Sevenfold Amen, Stainer; Voluntary, March, Triumphant, Callers, Largo, Handel.

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CHAPTER IV.—THE HUNG LADIES.

The reader has not yet been introduced to the family members of Mr. Hung Fong's happy though somewhat small family, who were not visible to strangers nor easily approached, for their apartments were fast and secure, and as they were fast and secure, it is only proper that their acquaintance should be made. Mr. Hung was in many respects an astute one, and had only taken into himself two wives, and the first of which had borne him a son and daughter of whom he was justly proud. Mrs. Hung Lee-fah, the first wife, was a woman of fifty or thereabouts, who had evidently been very handsome in her earlier days, for much of the freshness and bloom of youth still lingered about her kind and comely face, which was further enhanced by the gleam of a brilliant intellect which, in many of her remarks, was not only evident in the expression. It was easily seen that she was a native of the sunny south by her high, intellectual brow, dark, almond-shaped eyes, and somewhat broad-based nose; while in accordance with the prevailing fashion her feet were of the approved "lotus" pattern, as the unfortunates poetically crumpled feet of Chinese women of an earlier generation were called. Her hands were small and shapely, and her hair was dressed in an excellent style, and with her constant care and pride. And when the good merchant, after the affairs of the day were over, sought diversion and rest in the bosom of his family, she would lay aside her reading or embroidery and please his whim with her songs of other days, to which she accompanied herself on the silver-stringed pipa (lute), or would relate some of the many quaint old stories and legends treasured in her deepening mind.

Through the misleading accounts of travellers and others who have not had the opportunity or taken the trouble to really study the social life of the Chinese—perhaps regarding the theme as *infra dig*, and in consequence have made up for their lack of knowledge by colouring the truth with an entirely large percentage of fiction—the nineteenth-century Chinese life, her manner of living, her characteristics and accomplishments are either shrouded in mystery or misunderstood. She is generally described as, or supposed to be, a poor uneducated, faint-hearted creature, more ornamental than useful—the toy and slave of her capricious lord and master whose pipe-filling forms her chief occupation. Certainly the minor wives of the Chinese gentlemen often led anything but an opulent life—sometimes a miserable one. It all depends upon the first wife, or upon whom they are supposed to wait, and upon the state of the law. If she be a kind-hearted, humble-minded woman, like Mrs. Hung Fong, then all goes well, and they are generally a happy sisterly pair; but in the most united and best regulated families, petty jealousies and disagreements are apt to disturb the wonted tranquillity and cause periods of unhappiness.

Mr. Hung Fong's second wife, Ah-choi by name, by whom he had one child which had died in its infancy, was a woman with a mysterious and questionable history—by no means an uncommon circumstance among the inferior wives, who are not really married, according to the rites and ceremonies of Chinese custom, but are adopted. She was a native of Soochow, which is famed throughout the "Celestial Empire" for its comely damsels, and though of mature age, was no exception to the rule. Her face was full and rosy, and her complexion delicate and very fair, being also enhanced by artificial means, and she was of the Grecian type. But although her mouth was small and her chin prominent, they betrayed more firmness than tenderness; and in spite of her eyes being large, deep-set, and lustrous, they lacked the softness which denotes a kind and generous nature. Unlike Mrs. Lee-fah, her feet had never been cramped, but nevertheless were not during a visit he had paid to the northern territory of Shanghai, some three or four years after his first marriage—under what circumstances no one knew—and he became so enamoured of her charms that she accompanied him back to his home in Li-n where he soon exercised considerable authority in *fact* parents. Regarding her parentage and early life, she had always been very reticent, perhaps discreditable, but undoubtedly she had acquired a considerable knowledge of the English language. In spite of Mr. Hung's attachment to his first wife, this man exercised a strong influence over him; and she took every advantage of his good nature to usurp the dominion which by right belonged to the lawful wife who, being of a sweet and gentle disposition, was much imposed upon, although she failed to pretend not to notice it. It was the only member of the family over whom Mr. Ah-choi could not exert her influence, for he was self-willed and passionately devoted to his mother, who in consequence of this he was sorely disliked and feared by the second wife, who he tried with cold but courteous indifference.

With the daughter it was different. Miss Loh-hwa, for such was her name, was fondly attached to her parents, but not to her mother, who somehow she feared to treat her with great kindness, and to vice quite a maternal interest in her welfare and accomplishments. The real secret of this adopted wife's acquisition of authority over the daughter was that from the first she had engaged into her young and susceptible mind the most grossly superstitious ideas, upon which she had been accustomed to work, thus gradually paving the way to absolute control over her thoughts and actions. Her motive for doing this must for the present remain a mystery, unless it was that it pleased her vanity to make this young and beautiful girl subservient to her will.

Loh-hwa was now sixteen years of age. Like most Chinese damsels she was somewhat short, but possessed a faultlessly symmetrical figure and a full, delicately complexioned face. Her forehead was high, her eyes almond-shaped, deeply fringed and of a liquid blue colour, her eyebrows upward-curving from the nose which was straight, but broad at the base, and her mouth small and well-shaped; while her pink bow-shaped lips, being generally half-parted, revealed a row of the most even and pearly teeth which—with their coral-coloured settings—looked more artificial than real in their brilliancy. She was the exact counterpart of

what her amiable and worthy mother had been in her youth; indeed their present resemblance was striking. She was of the same noble and generous nature, but though stronger minded, was very superstitious, and—believing no ill of anyone—could have been easily deceived and imposed upon by a designing person.

On this sunny New Year's morning the ladies of the Hung Fong family and their *anahs* were congregated in their general reception-room, which looked out upon a picturesque expanse of landscape, miniature in its proportions, but of charming beauty. The garden, which was small, was covered with grass and other well-wooded with dwarfed plants and trees, mostly of a tropical nature; while here and there a Lilliputian temple or pagoda, peeped from among bright-blossomed foliage and flowers, or stood alone artistically relieving the sterility of some tiny eminence. The landscape was further enhanced by three miniature lakes, spanned by quaint wicker-work bridges, and a large one upon whose surface water-lilies gleefully floated, while gold fish sported among their slender stems, sending bubbles to the mirror-like surface, to which they now and again darted to catch an unsuspecting insect and then disappear with silvery-sounding splash into the shadowy depths below. Round the sides of this sylvan-like retreat were large trees, beneath the spreading foliage of which were cool summer houses, and marble lounges embosomed in arbour, covered with cascading vines and creepers; and at the north-east corner of the enclosure was a romantic grove of considerable dimensions. Along the rocky sides of this artificial cavern white, red, and yellow chrysanthemums bloomed in wild profusion, thriving in the cool atmosphere, and at the further end a small shrine—dedicated to the fairy-like Han-tan—possessed to preside over these airy-like air of lent enchantment, and imparted an air of mysticism and solemnity, which was intensified by a vaporous cloud of blue smoke, proceeding from burning joss-sticks, which enveloped the altar and its vicinity, and diffused fragrant perfumes of sandalwood and garo.

There was something very sweet and pleasant about that quiet place—something altogether conducive to the meditation and repose so dear to all cultured minds. Beneath these shady trees and arbours and among these sequestered flower-lined paths which wound their way among diversified scenes of surpassing beauty, the ladies of the Hung family lived their uneventful lives in reading, working, embroidery, in which their country people have always excelled, and listening to or telling those strangely fascinating fairy-tales and historic legends that exercise such a powerful influence upon the thoughts and actions of the women of the outside world and the like unknown star-worlds in the blue vault of Heaven—by an impenetrable halo of romance and mystery which they may never hope to unravel or explore except in imagination and through the vague uncertain tales and rumours which come like the wandering wind, no one knows from where.

Through their life of seclusion the Chinese women became great thinkers and wonderfully philosophical, and, being naturally studious and inquisitive, have a fund of curious knowledge. They can tell no end of marvellous stories, and their credulity is really astonishing. They will seriously warn the husband or brother against the fairy-fox which has grown so old that it can transform itself into a beautiful young damsel with whom he would surely fall desperately in love, and who would surely fall victim to his passion, and who would surely fall victim to his passion, and who would surely fall victim to his passion. They will tell you of the "Celestial Empire," where the worship of ancestors forbids advancement and encourages retrograde movement and thought. The most popular literature in this class is the book that ranks first in the list, "San Kwei Chai," the plot of which is laid during the stirring times at the fall of the Han dynasty (A.D. 182 to 220), and is full of mystery. "The Dream of the Red Chamber," which deals with domestic life, is certainly the most celebrated novel, though its tone is not always moral, being somewhat after the style of "The Decameron," in that the work is held in the highest esteem by all classes for its purity of style is "The Fictions of a Study," which abounds in mysterious and thrilling tales. The ladies were now busily engaged in packing and despatching several round baskets with various kinds of fruit and confectionery comprising preserved ginger, almonds, raisins, peaches, melon seeds, lychees, lungans, pears, etc., and other delicacies. These were the customary New Year gifts, each of which was accompanied by a small envelope, containing a packet of silver and copper coins, given to ensure luck during the ensuing year. All being ensconced in the baskets were carried by the female relatives and friends of the family, and as they delivered these friendly offerings the recipients professedly expressed their good wishes and thanks, and having bestowed upon them presents of silver and cash, also wrapped in red paper, proceeded to burden them with return presents of a similar kind—if they had not already forwarded them.

Having seen the last basket carefully packed and sent off, Mrs. Ah-choi, the second wife, asked Loh-hwa to accompany her into the garden, which the latter did with pleasure—making her silken-stringed pipa with her—as it was a warm, sunny day. The first wife was too busy, in superintending certain festive preparations, to join them, so they sauntered forth together. Keeping to the right, they went along the back of a beehive-browed cliff of fern-clad rockwood, finally coming to a narrow pass which led through it and down into a small glen surrounded by rugged hills, on whose mossy slopes grew many species of fern and palm. Entering this shady nook they seated themselves upon a marble seat which nestled among the drooping foliage of a willow tree. A little to the left of them another narrow passage was precipitous side gave entrance to a wood-prefect glade where—during the long moonlight nights—the garden-god was said to hold his court, while the fairies assembled to dance and play; and indeed, it was just such a place as one would imagine to be their rendezvous.

This leafy bower, in which the two ladies were seated, had been specially constructed and set apart for the second wife's use; and the equally beautiful and secluded glade beyond, which had two entrances and in the centre of which was a spring-fed fountain that kept the surrounding vegetation moist and the atmosphere pleasantly cool even in the warmest weather, was reserved for Mrs. Lee-fah, the first wife; and in these romantic retreats much of their leisure was spent.

\*Female attendants.

†A baloon-shaped guitar three feet long—its length being typical of Heaven, Earth and Man, while its four strings represent spring, summer, autumn, and winter. The player is guided by twelve frets placed upon the neck of the instrument.

They had been sitting there for some time, when suddenly Ah-choi—as we will in future call Mr. Hung's second wife—gave a sharp, frightened cry, which startled Loh-hwa, who was sitting beside her, and she dropped from her seat and the instrument upon her companion's terrified hands as she followed upon a long yellow snake, with black rings round its body, that reared its glossy head in their direction, while its bright scintillating eyes seemed to fascinate and hold the women spell-bound. It lay upon the green sward in front of them, about six feet away. Loh-hwa, who was not of a nervous temperament, was easily frightened, and was rising to her feet to drive it away, or call the attendants, when Ah-choi, without removing her fear-stricken gaze from the reptile—mechanically clutched her wrist and detained her; while her lips half inaudibly uttered numbers, as if she were counting the moments of suspense that passed. Loh-hwa sank back to her seat and, her superstitious fears being now aroused, her eyes involuntarily fixed themselves upon the snake, and she was beginning to feel its menacing influence when, to their relief, it glided away into the undergrowth on their right.

"Balam!" ejaculated Ah-choi in an ominous undertone, when she had regained her self-possession. "That snake's appearance is a bad omen. Before ten moons have passed there will be a death in our family. We must try and avert the calamity by having a small shrine erected in the garden, and invoke his aid in preventing another such visitation. Come, let us do so at once, for it is a most serious matter, especially during this festive season."

Forgetful of all else, the two ladies hastened into the house and procuring a sheaf of joss-sticks, some strings of crackers, and a pot of fresh tea, at once entered the garden, and, having lighted the incense, replenished the sacrificial cups on the altar with warm tea, and prostrated themselves before the imaginary deity, and implored it to exert its beneficent influence on their behalf and protect their family from the threatened catastrophe.

On concluding their supplication they left the grove and seated themselves upon a marble lounge situated exactly opposite the one they had occupied when disturbed by the reptile. "I wonder," said Loh-hwa, "whether that snake will return in this garden; perhaps it has only just come here."

"That may be so, my dear," replied Ah-choi, "but it is quite probable that it will permanently remain here providing the site is suitable to its temperament and inclinations. On the other hand it may be some spirit which has assumed the form of a reptile for a purpose unknown to us; though I am inclined to believe by its appearance that it is one of those snakes whose age has been so long that it has become disposed, or the reverse. Its appearance was certainly a bad omen. Of course, my dear, you know that when a snake becomes very, very old, it is endowed with extraordinary supernatural powers, for—besides being able to work marvellous spells and divine the future with accuracy and skill of a fox—it can transform itself into a human being. If we could only ascertain whether it is one of those snakes who are able to become so great harm, if disposed, or the reverse. Its appearance was certainly a bad omen. 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鱸	Tám hâu-sin - Eels, & fresh water id.	24
鰱	Wong Sin - Eels, Yellow	28
鰻	Fu Kai - Frogs	32
鰻	Shan Fung - Frogs	32
魚	Pak Kay Yu - Gadus	36
魚	Tsuen Kwan Yu - Halibut	16
白鰻	To'ok Pak Yu - Herrings	12
魚	Wong Fa Yu - Labrus	12
魚	Wu Yu - Leach Fish	11
魚	Lung Hsü - Lobsters	28
魚	Shi Yu - Mackerel	23
魚	Chü Yu -	21
魚	Ming Yu - Monk Fish	22
魚	Sung Hsü - Oysters	16
魚	Kai Kung Yu - Parrot Fish	15
鰻	Tau Lo - Perch	13
鰻	Hau Tze Yu - Pike	9
魚	Fa Po Tzu - Plaice	16
魚	Ching Tsung - Pomfret, White	28
魚	Hak Chang - Black	28
鰻	Mur Hsü - Prawns	20

公府魚	Shan Kung — Trout	19
公府鮑	Cik Yu — Roach	10
魚鮑	Sa Yu — Shark	9
魚水魚	Ma Yu Yu — Salmon, Canton	28
魚水魚	Shang Yu — Salmon, Fresh Water	28
魚鮑	Shurups	24
魚鮑	Pu Yu — Snapper	28
魚鮑	Lap Yu — Snapper	10
魚鮑	Tat Sa Yu — Soles	20
魚鮑	Wan Yu — Tonesh	14
魚鮑	To Han Yu — Turbot	1b.
魚鮑	Kak Yu — Turtles, small, fresh-water	60
魚鮑	Pak Bit Yu — White But	—
Fruits.		
仁母	Hung Yau — Almonds	20
廣平山金	Kam Shan Ping Ko — Apples, California	30
廣平洋桃	Tai Tsan Pin Ko — Apples, C'foo	1b.
菜油	Hoi Tong — Apples, small, Chefoo	—
柿	Mac — Apples, Custard	—
廣平水豆	Yat Pun Ping Ko — Apples, Japanese	1b.
番豆	Shung Shug Heung Tsui —	—

新香山	Shang Heung Teiu—Bananas	
裨果	Bridos, Macao	8
楊桃	Yung T'ao—Carambola	—
椰菜	Yung Nui—Chretnuts, Chinese	—
椰子	Yu Tai—Cocoanuts	—
子提樹	P'ui Tai—Grapes	each 8
檸檬	Ning Mong—Lemons, Chinese	20
檸檬山金	Kam Shang Lingmon—Lemons, q. American	each 6
核荔	Lai Chi—Lichees, Fresh	1st qd 11 2d „ 22 3d „ 13
乾核荔	Lai Chi Kan—Lichees, dried	1b. 12
寧檬	Ning Mong—Limes, Saigon	5
芒果	Lai Sung Hong—Mango, Macao	5
芒果安	On Nan Mong—Mango, Saigon	8
子竹山	Shan Chak Tsu—Mangosteens doz.	26
	per 100	1st „ 26
瓜西	Sat Kwa—Melons Water	lb. —
廣白	Pak Lan—Olives	7
廣西	Chung—Oranges, Canton, Sweet	25
歐洲	Chin Chan—Oranges— Swatow	—
歐洲	O Mun Chut—Oranges, Macao	—
沙	Chu Sh Kát—„ Smil	—
桃	Tim Kat—„ Mandarin	—
核樹	Fa Shang—Peanuts	1b. 10
花生	Shai Lai—Peas, American qd.	—
梅樹	Sai Lai—Pear, Cooking, Canton	—
荔枝	Sai Lai—Pear	25
椰子	Hung Tai—Persimmons doz.	—
椰子	Hung Tai—Persimmons doz.	1b. 10
梨	Pai Pi To Lo—Pi apple, qd.	20
梨	Pineapple Coong only, 2 id	—
梨	„ 3d „	4
梨	Tai Tsui—Plantains	—
梨	Luk Yai—Pawpaw, Amoy	each—
梨	Son Lok—Pawpaw, Siam	20

竹筴魚	Shanghai Yü. Chi Chuk —	
菜胆	Artichoke, Shanghai	6
菜胆竹筴魚	Loong So Twai—Asparagus, doz.	
菜豆	Chuk Euen—Bamboo Shoots	lb.
菜豆	Ngai Tai—Beans, Sprout	
角豆	Tau Kok — " Long	6
豆面	Min Tau — " Broad	
豆面	Fai Tau — " French, 'Bai	
豆面	O Moon Bi—Tau—Beans,	
	Macao (French)	7
菜頭	Hung Tau T'oi—B—Broot	lb.
菜豆	Kau Sun—Cane Shoots	hundreds
菜豆	Ting Ko—Brinjal, Green	lb.
菜豆	Ying	

菜豆	Kai Shun— <i>Brassica</i> .....	3
菜豆	Kai Shun— <i>Bamboo Shoots</i> .....	7
菜豆	Kai Tsoi— <i>Cabbage, Chinese</i> .....	7
菜豆	Kai Tsoi— <i>Cabbage, Chinese</i> .....	10
菜豆	Kam Shan— <i>Carrots</i> .....	1b.
花菜	Yei Toi Fā— <i>Cauliflower</i> .....	sch.
花菜	Yei Toi Fā— <i>Large Size</i> .....	
花菜	Chung Yei Toi Fā— <i>Cauliflower</i> .....	
	Can. <i>Sis.</i> .....	
菜豆	Can Tsoi— <i>Cauliflower, China</i> .....	4
菜豆	Yung Can Toi— <i>Cauliflower</i> .....	1
菜豆	Fo Kwa— <i>Bitter Squash, Eng.</i> .....	4
菜豆	Kon Lai Chiu— <i>Chilies, Green</i> .....	28
菜豆	Teing Lai Tsau— <i>Chilies, Dried</i> .....	5
菜豆	Hung Fa Teiu— <i>Chilies, Red</i> .....	10
菜豆	Teing Kwa— <i>Chambers</i> .....	3
菜豆	Kwa— <i>Curry Stuff</i> .....	10
	English.....	
菜豆	Chung Tsau— <i>Ginseng</i> .....	5
菜豆	Lo Keung— <i>Ginger, old</i> .....	4
菜豆	1s. Keung— <i>Ginger, young</i> .....	4
菜豆	Tsing Tsau— <i>Green Peas</i> .....	4
菜豆	Kan Lak— <i>Horse Radish, S'hai</i> .....	10
菜豆	Kau Lak— <i>Sweet Corn</i> .....	pieces 3
菜豆	Yung Shau— <i>Taro</i> .....	2
菜豆	Shang Tsoi— <i>Mushrooms</i> .....	
	fresh.....	1b.
菜豆	Mō Ke— <i>Onion</i> .....	12

生熟	Shang Tsang—Onions, Green.....	4
頭菜日本	Yak Pun Tsung Tsai—Japans, .....	4
	Japanese.....	
頭菜海上	Shanghai Tsung Tsai—Onions, .....	4
茄毛	Lo Lue—Onions.....	4
菜花	Yuen Kuen Si—Parsley, Eng. bundle.....	4
菜頭	Poochow Shu Tsai—Potatoes, .....	4
	Poochow..... lb.	5
菜薯海上	Shanghai Shu Tsai—Potatoes, .....	4
	Shanghai..... lb.	5
菜日本	Yak Pun Shu Tsai—Potatoes, .....	4
	Japanese.....	
菜門淡	O Mun Shu Tsai—Potatoes, .....	4
	Macco.....	5
菜鼓淡	Fa Ke Shu Tsai—Potatoes, .....	4
	American.....	5
菜冬	Fan Shu—Potatoes Sweet.....	4
菜瓜	Tung Kwa—Pumpkin.....	3
菜紅花	Chu Tsai Twei—Furaine.....	4
菜紅	Hung Lo Pak Tsai—Radish..... doz	1
菜花	Ye Koi—Cabbage Root..... each	22
菜花	Kong Tsung Tsai—Shalots..... lb.	7
菜魚	Yin Tsai.....	3
菜豆	Fu Tsai—Tinos.....	3
菜茄	Fan Ke—Tomatoes.....	5
菜蘭	Lo Pak—Spinach Chinese.....	3
菜豆	Tau kok.....	3
菜花	Lin Ngau—Gilly Root.....	4
菜蘭	Xue Lo Pak—Turnip, Eng.....	3
菜豆	Tait Kwa—Vegetable Arrow.....	3
菜馬	Má Tsai—Water Chestnuts, .....	3
	Common.....	3
菜馬林桂	Kwei Lam—Mts Mts Tsai—Water.....	3
菜馬	Chue Tsue, Mandarin.....	3
菜豆	Sai Tsung Kwot—Water Cresses.....	3
菜大	Tai Shai—Yam.....	3
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